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E.O. 12065: GDS 11/9/85 (HOWARD, RICHARD B.) OR-M
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SUBJ: (U) HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION REPORT ON VIOLATIONS FROM INITIATION OF COUP TO OCTOBER 31

1. (U) SALVADORAN COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS (CDHES) PAID PRESS INSERTION APPEARING NOVEMBER 7 MAKES PUBLIC THAT ORGANIZATION'S LIST OF ALLEGED HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS FOR PERIOD OF OCTOBER 16-31. LIST PRESENTS NAMES OF SOME VICTIMS AND GIVES FIGURES FOR VARIOUS INCIDENTS MUCH HIGHER THAN THOSE GENERALLY REPORTED IN PRESS PREVIOUSLY. CDHES INSERTION LISTS AS SOURCES "TESTIMONY OF FAMILY MEMBERS...REPORTS TO ARCHBISHOPRIC AND INTERNATIONAL CABLES." INSERTION EMPHASIZES DATA IS "INCOMPLETE", EXPLAINING THERE ARE NUMEROUS OTHER CASES NOT REPORTEDIN FEAR OF REPRISAL.
2. (U) CDHES INSERTION LISTS BY NAME, DATE OF CAPURE, AND SECURITY FORCE INVOLVED, TEN "DISAPPEARED" PERSONS FOR THE PERIOD. IT FURTHER LISTS BY NAME, DATE OF CAPTURE, SECURITY FORCE INVOLVED AND DATE CADAVER WAS FOUND, THREE PERSONS "ASSASSINATED AFTER CAPTURE". UNDER CATEGORY "UNIDENTIFIED" CDHES ALLEGES THAT ONN OCTOBER 17, DAY FOLLOWING INCIDENT IN MEJICANOS, TWELVE BODIES WITH THROATS CUT WERE FOUND IN GENERAL CEMETERY OF SAN SALVADOR, AND THAT BODIES HAD BEEN TAKEN FROM MEJICANOS TO NATIONAL GUARD MORGUE. IT ALSO ALLEGES THAT ON OCTOBER 18 , DAY FOLLOWING INCI-DENT AT SAN MARCOS, SEVENTY-FIVE BODIES WITH THROATS CUT, EYES PUT OUT AND OTHER SIGNS OF TORTURE, AND WOUNDS FROM GUN FIRE APPEARED IN GENERAL CEMETERY OF EL SALVADOR, HAVING BEEN TAKEN THERE FROM SAN MARCOS BY NATIONAL GUARD.

3. (U) FINAL SECTION OF INSERTION PRESENTS NUMBERS OF PERSONS KILLED IN CONNECTION WITH VIOLENT DEMONSTRATIONS BOTH AS LINE GRAPH AND LISTING OF INCIDENTS AS FOLLOWS:

A. OCTOBER 15 - "MASSACRE" OF MEJICANOS AND CUSCATANCINGO (47 DEAD).

B. OCTOBER 17 - "MASSACRE" OF SAN MARCOS (27 DEEAD).

C. OCTOBER 19 - ASSASSINATIONS IN COLONIA ZACAMIL OF SAN SALVADOR (TWO DEAD).

D. OCTOBER 22 - DISSOLUTION OF FUNERAL DEMONSTRATION (FOUR DEAD).

E. OCTOBER 26 - INCIDENT AT SAN MIGUEL CATHEDRAL (TWO DEAD).

F. OCTOBER 29 - "MASSACRE" OF DEMONSTRATION IN SAN SALVADOR (76 DEAD).

G. OCTOBER 30 - "MASSACRES" OF "COMIC" DEMONSTRATION (27 DEAD).

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